

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

The listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

Claims 1 - 9 (Cancelled)

10. (Original) A brewing apparatus comprising:

a reservoir for storing a heated infusion liquid;

a brewing chamber having a drain disposed at a substantially lowermost elevational position;

a spray head disposed over the brewing chamber for communicating infusion liquid from the reservoir into the brewing chamber;

a flow control valve cooperating with the spray head to regulate flow of infusion liquid into the brewing chamber;

a controller communicating with the flow control valve for opening the valve to permit infusion liquid to flow through the flow control valve into the brewing chamber, and for closing the valve to halt infusion liquid from flowing through the flow control valve into the brewing chamber;

a memory accessible by the controller and storing a plurality of predetermined intermittent flow profiles each corresponding to a different sequence of opening and closing the flow control valve during a brewing operation, the sequences including

(a) a first sequence wherein the valve is open for a selected interval and then the valve is closed for a selected interval, and such pattern repeats for a first period, and where the valve then opens continuously until a predetermined volume of infusion liquid is introduced into the brewing chamber;

(b) a second sequence wherein the valve is open for at least one minute during a first period, and where the valve is then intermittently opened for a selected interval and closed for a selected interval during a second period until a predetermined volume of infusion liquid is introduced into the brewing chamber; and

(c) a third sequence wherein the valve is adjustably opened and closed by a user created profile; and

selectors operably controlled by a user for choosing one of said intermittent flow profiles stored in the memory accessible by the controller.

11. (Canceled)

12. (Currently Amended) A method for brewing a beverage using a predetermined intermittent brewing sequence comprising:

storing a plurality of intermittent flow profiles in a memory accessible by a controller, said stored intermittent flow profiles extending indefinitely without a predetermined finish;

providing a selector to allow a user to choose from among the plurality of intermittent flow profiles in the memory;

controlling the flow of infusing liquid introduced into a brewing chamber based upon a selected intermittent flow profile; ~~and~~

directing flow of infusing liquid into said brewing chamber for a portion of said intermittent flow profile, and directing said infusing liquid directly into a collection reservoir when said infusing liquid is not directed to said brewing chamber to create an appearance of a continuous flow into said collection reservoir; and

stopping the flow of infusing liquid into the brewing chamber during the intermittent flow profile when a predetermined volume of infusing liquid has been introduced into the brewing chamber

Claims 13 - 16 (Canceled)

17. (Previously Presented) The method of brewing a beverage of Claim 12 further comprising:

providing a heating tank for delivering infusing liquid into said brewing chamber; and

monitoring a temperature of said heating tank, and actuating a heating element when said temperature falls below a preselected temperature.

18. (Canceled)

19. (Previously Presented) The method of brewing a beverage of Claim 12 further comprising:

providing a recipe storing memory to save specific instructions that override global settings or portions of the selected intermittent flow profile.

20. (Previously Presented) The method of brewing a beverage of Claim 19 wherein said recipe storing memory includes instructions for a brewing temperature based on a type of coffee brewed.